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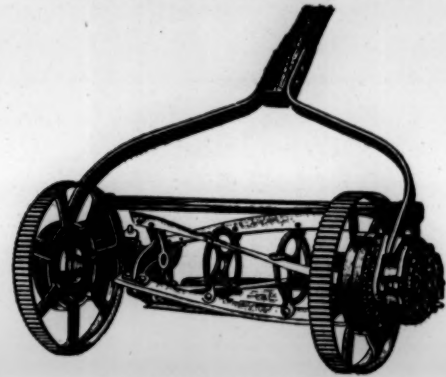
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FEBRUARY has always been set aside by the "Keystone States" as the time for the special observance of Reciprocity Day and for the consideration of reciprocity ideas in club life. The ideal of reciprocity is the corner stone of civilization; only in a barbaric state does man *not* realize the benefits and practice the arts of reciprocity, and as the human race struggles upward in its efforts to realize its higher moral obligations, just so far does it increase its methods for reciprocity.

Upon an idea of reciprocity is built all the great movements in human life—religion, philanthropy, society, friendship, love, family life, literature, art and music; in fact, a universe without reciprocity is unimaginable; and so the clubwoman, who in this month of budding leaf and first song bird, plans her reciprocity programme, is merely putting into operation one of the great natural laws of the universe.

THE eyes of the world will be turned to Washington, our National Capital, during the first few days in March, for the political problems of a republican form of government are up for discussion among all minds engaged in considering methods of government, and a change of administration from one great party to another will necessarily mean some new experiences. With these thoughts in mind the National American Woman's Suffrage Association has seized the occasion to make a demonstration in behalf of "Woman's Suffrage" at the very "gates of the Capital," and are cleverly planning their "Peaceful Pageant" for March 3, 1913. This pageant is arranged along artistic and spectacular lines, for the designer of the costumes, Hon. Patricia Street, of Australia, means to make each color represent something; yellow, blue and gold will start the line, representing the colors of the four countries which have already given the ballot to women—Norway, Finland, New Zealand and Australia; these will be followed by the representatives of those countries giving partial suffrage to women—Sweden, Denmark, Iceland, Great Britain, Austria-Hungary and Belgium; floats, representing in history and in allegory the numerous efforts for suffrage, will follow; a section will show Virginia's "Petticoat Cavalry," and women in all professions of life will march in their respective groups in symbolic costumes. The last car will show the suffrage States in white, while walking around it, in black, will be the thirty-nine States which have no suffrage. There will be a section in the pageant assigned to men in favor of equal suffrage, and the Senators and Congressmen from the equal suffrage States have been invited to take part in the procession. The tableaux arranged to tell the story of the suffrage movement in allegory will be staged on the south steps of the Treasury Building; Madam Nordica, in classic costume, taking the part of Columbia, will open these tableaux by singing "The Star Spangled

Banner;" while Miss Flora Wilson, the daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture, will impersonate Justice; President Taft and President-elect Wilson will view the parade from a special box on the grandstand. Thus the American woman wins her way by reason and persuasion, and in all good humor believes that the American man will listen to her reasonable requests.

CHILD LABOR legislation and investigation, with methods of improving conditions, are topics foremost in the minds of all earnest men and women of the twentieth century, and organized efforts to grasp the problem are gaining support each day. The Ninth Annual Conference of the National Child Labor Committee will be held in Jacksonville, Florida, March 13-16, 1913. The general subject will be "*Child Labor and Poverty*," in their relations to wages, health, employment, and the family. Dr. Felix Adler, the chairman of the committee; Miss Julia Lathrop, chief of the Federal Children's Bureau, and many other distinguished social workers, will address this conference; thirty-six State Child Labor Committees will report on local problems and campaigns and the conference will show a collection of pictures and charts about child labor, including the extensive exhibit on *Home Work* in the New York Tenements, which is said to be the most complete presentation of the subject yet made. Clubwomen have for years been giving their endorsement and support to all honest and sane efforts to restrict child labor in their local communities, and this sympathy and support is ably directed by these conferences and by the earnest and thoughtful advice of their various State Child Labor Committees.

WOMEN'S organizations have been so rapidly organized and developed in the past twenty-five years that they look with intense pride and satisfaction upon the centennial of a sister association. American women may take just pride in the fact that the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Charleston, S. C., celebrated its one hundredth anniversary on February 11, 1913. Few women's organizations in America can claim so long a written history, and this group of women, "looking after the sick poor of the city in their homes," is now ranked as the earliest organized effort in America for "Visiting Nursing." The account of this centennial appears in this issue of *The Keystone*, page 14.

DEAR MISS P.: Your fine article in *The Keystone* in regard to the U. D. C. Convention at Washington is one every "Daughter" should thank you for writing, and should also draw the attention of the chapters to your own good work in every part of the U. D. C. I am making use of the article and am grateful we have such an editor and such a fine paper for our official organ.

MISS JENNIE STUART PRICE,

Pres. West Virginia Division U. D. C.

Lewisburg, W. Va., January 3, 1913.

I AM HERewith enclosing check for \$2 for five yearly subscriptions to *The Keystone*, commencing with the January issue. I will try and do more in this line, as I think I can get up some more subscriptions. I am doing this at the request of our President, Mrs. John Cart.

Orangeburg, S. C.

ADELINA KOHN.

I enclose \$1.00 to pay my dues for *The Keystone* another year, beginning in June, 1913. * * * I must have this publication, as there is no other of its kind that so briefly and yet so thoroughly keeps me in touch with these Southern organizations. With sincere wishes for its long continuance.

MRS. E. E. MOFFITT, Richmond, Va.

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For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida and Virginia. (This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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(98 Clubs—6,245 Members.)

DURING the next few months before the annual meeting of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, the chairmen of departments, chairmen of committees, and your executive, will be very busy getting in shape the work assigned to them by the last convention. The clubs will receive many letters, and it will seem that "it never rains but what it pours." A great deal of this pressure of business is unavoidable, and to get results to our federated activities the clubs are urged to give immediate attention to the requests from the various departments. Do not lay aside any communication, whatsoever, without some action. The chairmen of departments have been asked to furnish the Executive Board with the names of clubs that have been especially successful in carrying out the plans of the department, for the purpose of a special feature at the convention. Clubs will greatly assist by answering promptly the questions of their chairman.

HANNAH HEMPHILL COLEMAN.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the State Federation will meet in Beaufort, February 26th and 27th, by invitation of the Beaufort Civic League and the Clover Club.

LITERATURE AND RECIPROCITY.—February is the month recommended by the State Federation of Women's Clubs for the special observance of reciprocity in the various clubs throughout the State. Every club should have a *Reciprocity Committee*, which should send to the bureau two copies of year books as soon as printed, one selected club paper, and any newspaper and magazine clippings on federation work, in order to increase the usefulness of the State department and to develop the reciprocity idea. This Club Committee should also read to their clubs the South Carolina column of *The Keystone*, as it appears each month.

Again this year, at the convention in Florence, there will be a *literary session*. The first number of this session will consist of the reading of the best paper, of those submitted to the State Chairman and Committee, on one of the two subjects announced in the June *Keystone*—*The Bible as Literature* and *The Modern Drama*—and every federated clubwoman throughout the State, whatever the nature of her club, is urged to enter this contest, and to send one paper to the chairman by *March 15th*. The paper must not exceed fifteen minutes in reading. Last year only ten papers were submitted, but we hope for a larger number this year. All papers received will be filed in the bureau for exchange among clubs to be used in *Reciprocity Day* celebrations.

The second number of the literary session will be an address, on some literary subject, by a professional lecturer, chosen by the committee.

The new features of the literary session this year are a given subject for the competing papers and an address by a literary expert.

The most helpful way for preparing a year book is for a programme committee to consult other year books, and the bureau can supply a variety. The year books, or programmes, should always have printed, on the *outside* cover, the name of the subject, club, town and State; this facilitates filing and makes the programme more useful.

Again all clubs are urged to read, in open session, every marked copy of *The Keystone*, as it always brings some special message from one of the State departments. Every club president is requested to acknowledge this as a personal letter, and to let me know by April 1st if she has received this copy and read this appeal to her club.

Charleston.

MRS. G. E. GIBBON, Chairman.

Committee: Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston; Mrs. Alexander Long, Rock Hill; Mrs. S. C. Mitchell, Columbia; Miss Mary Waterhouse, Beaufort.

THE CHARLESTON CITY FEDERATION held their thirteenth mid-winter meeting February 12th, in the Hibernian Hall, when Dr. George Wauchope, of the South Carolina University, spoke on "*South Carolina Literature and Its Makers*," paying a graceful tribute to Charleston writers; and Mrs. Imogen Oakley, chairman of Civil Service Reform Committee of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, spoke in a most entertaining and instructive manner on the all-pervading influence of the *Merit System on Domestic Conditions in America*. Unusually fine musical selections were rendered by Mrs. C. B. Huiet (vocal), Miss Visanska (violin), and Mr. Locke (vocal); the afternoon closed with an informal reception, while appetizing refreshments were served.

THE CIVIC CLUB, Charleston, has prepared a set of resolutions calling on the sheriff and county officials to enforce the law in regard to race track gambling in connection with the Charleston races, and has sent a copy of these resolutions to the Governor, members of the General Assembly, and every club in the South Carolina Federation, calling upon them for co-operation in suppression of race track gambling in the State of South Carolina. Attention is called to the fact that the women of California set their minds against race track gambling in their State, and with the *vote* accomplished their purpose. It is hoped that the women of South Carolina, without the franchise, may be successful in their efforts.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB, Bennettsville, will soon complete its twelfth year, and numbers among its members the best literary talent of the town. A library of over 1,000 volumes is its most valued possession. This library has always been considered the nucleus of a permanent town library, and recently a bazaar was held to raise funds for that purpose. The bazaar was open two nights and

one afternoon, the booths representing the cycle of the months, selling articles appropriate to the season; for instance, January's *White Sale* booth; February's booth, where *Patriotism* vied with *Cupid's* arts and darts, and so on to the gorgeous *Christmas Tree* of December. This fair netted \$500.00. The present year's literary work consists of a study of five of the most noted English novelists. A social hour, with refreshments, closes each meeting in a most satisfactory manner. The club is now engaged in planning for a federation of all the city clubs, and hopes to accomplish that end and have it in good working order by March the first.

THE NEW OFFICERS of the Florence Civic League are: President, Mrs. R. W. Muncaster; vice president, Mrs. Geo. Briggs; secretary, Miss Louise Hoffmeyer; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. McCown.

The *New Century Club*, Johnston, celebrated Reciprocity Day in a most satisfactory way on February 11th in the home of Mrs. J. H. White. The programme carried out many of the plans of the State Reciprocity Committee, and can be used as a model for other clubs. Greetings were brought in person from organizations in Edgefield, Ridge Springs, and a sister organization in Johnston. Papers on *The Modern Drama* and *The Bible as Literature*, subjects selected for the *State Literary Contest*, were prepared by members of the club, and the Shakesperean musical programme and social hour brought out the true spirit of reciprocity. The printed programmes, with picture of Shakespere's home, were most attractive souvenirs of the day.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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Recording Secretary—Mrs. Macon Thornton, Ormond.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. D. W. Davis, Ocala.
(56 Clubs.)

THE Legislation Committee of the F. F. W. C. early in the year 1912 committed itself to a policy of concentration; and the need of the State Reform School at Marianna having been called to the attention of the committee, it was determined to investigate these reports and, if the condition of the school was found as represented, to make an effort to bring the needs of the institution to the notice of the public, and, if possible, secure a larger appropriation from the next Legislature, in order that the school might be put on a constructive basis and the unfortunate children confined there be taught a trade, so that when they were dismissed they might go forth into the world prepared to live honest, self-respecting lives, equipped with a means of support. The modern idea of penology is to eliminate the bad by substituting the good. A boy who is given an honest trade has a weapon with which to fight the forces of evil. His trade is an asset in the fight for the world's respect, as well as an asset toward his self-support. Our investigation, which was careful and conscientious, found Marianna destitute of any systematic training for the boys confined there. It also found the colored school deplorable,

and that there was no proper place for girls at all. Delinquent girls have to be sent out of the State, at large cost, in order that they may have proper surroundings and training. The Legislation Committee urges that it would be good business for the State of Florida to wake up to the condition and needs of her Reform School. Let her make the institution at Marianna a factory for good citizens. Let her really reform her delinquent boys by educating them—by teaching them a trade that will add to the industrial wealth of the State, as well as save the State expense by making good citizens out of bad.

At the meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs at West Palm Beach, in November last, the following resolutions were presented by the Legislation Committee and endorsed by the Federation. We beg that every club in the Federation act upon the suggestions included in the resolutions:

Resolved, That we as a Federation of Women's Clubs, working for the welfare and moral uplift of our State, give our utmost endeavor by individual and co-operant influence, to present to the next session of the Florida Legislature, a number of measures hereinafter mentioned, which, in our opinion, are necessary to the public welfare and the safety of the home.

Resolved, That all these measures be drafted in the form of bills under competent legal advice, and presented to the Legislature through the proper channels, and that each club of the Federation appoint a dependable committee to interview the Representatives and Senators of that district, calling their attention to the importance of these measures, and soliciting their support.

Resolved, That we endorse the report of the Legislation Committee of the F. F. W. C. upon the condition and need of the Marianna Reform School, that we cordially approve the modern constructive ideas of penology, and recommend a memorial to the next session of the State Legislature, calling upon this body of lawmakers for a more liberal appropriation for this important State institution, in order that these delinquent children, both white and colored, may be given a chance to be reconstructed morally, and prepared, in a practical industrial way, to be self-respecting, self-supporting citizens when released from restraint.

Resolved, That we endorse the Page bill, "believing that its enactment into law will materially benefit the agricultural and industrial interests of every State in the Union, and that we urge our Senators to vote and work for its passage in the Senate."

Also, That we endorse the bills submitted by the Chairman of the Social Conditions Committee, viz.: An act to make seduction a felony, and an act to authorize the employment of women as matrons, keepers, nurses and physicians in the State, county and city institutions, having the custody of women and girls.

Resolved, That we recommend bills:

To make wife and child desertion a felony.

To remove a married woman's disability in the matter of making contracts and controlling her individual property.

To place women on the school boards.

To amend the juvenile court law.

To more stringently restrict child labor.

Having in mind the importance of the work which we are trying to do in creating public sentiment, and in presenting these bills to the Legislature of the State, the Legislation Committee also recommends the appointment by the Federation Executive Board of official legal counsel, with whom the committee may confer at need.

MINERVA PHELPS JENNINGS,

Chairman Legislation Committee, F. F. W. C.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of the F. F. W. C. will hold a meeting at the Woman's Club, Jacksonville, Thursday, March 13th. The meeting is called at this time on account of the National Child Labor Conference, which opens the evening of the 13th, and it is much to be desired that as many clubwomen as possible attend. This is the first National meeting of any of the welfare organizations that has been held in Florida. There will be many prominent speakers and social workers, who will discuss such subjects as compulsory education and various other departments of Child Welfare and Child Labor. Our president is anxious

that our clubwomen attend, for it stimulates our work in many of its branches.

THE CHAIRMAN of Educational Department, Mrs. W. S. Jennings, is very active in furthering the school questions; has spoken at a number of Mothers' meetings, urging them to work for "Bonding" for school purposes and "Women" on School Boards. It is the duty of all clubwomen to assist the chairman in their committee work. Let every club interest themselves in the various departments, and thus ably assist in spreading the good work locally.

MRS. WILLIAM HOCKER, the president of our State Federation, will visit the Woman's Clubs of Tallahassee, Jacksonville and Lakeland, and the Civic Association of Tampa, in March. She has also received cordial invitations from the Wednesday and Welaka Clubs, of Sanford; the Village Improvement Association, of Green Cove Springs and Lawtey; Alpha Sorocis, of Dade City, and is looking forward with pleasure to meeting with them as soon as possible. Mrs. Hocker will attend the "Council" of the General Federation at Washington, April 21st.

THE PRESIDENT urges that each club appoint a Legislative Committee to put the resolutions adopted by the Federation before their Senators and Representatives. Much more can be gained by personal appeals to your own Representatives than any amount of lobbying or letters. This month's issue of *The Keystone* contains a full report of the State Legislation Committee and the resolutions adopted at the convention.

WILL THOSE CLUBS that made pledges at the convention, to assist and maintain the "Kindergarten Scholarship," please send to the treasurer these pledges. The fund is exhausted and a number of bills due. This is an important work of the Federation and should be given prompt attention.

THE MANUALS have been in press for some time, the proof has been read, and we are promised that they will soon be delivered. MRS. W. B. POWELL, Manager.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. John L. Wooten, Greenville, N. C.
(82 Clubs—3,198 Members.)

THE mid-winter meeting of the Council of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs met in Tarboro, January 28th-30th, as guests of the Tarboro Civic League, the president, Mrs. Robert R. Cotten, presiding, with ten officers and chairmen present. Two days were devoted to business and many social functions. Reports were made by each officer and chairman on their respective work; each fired with enthusiasm in the cause, and each received inspiration from others, and helpful suggestions were carried away to give to the home clubs represented.

The programme for the Newbern Convention, to be held in May, was submitted and final arrangements perfected.

It is a full and interesting one, and provides for two fine speakers—Miss Lathrop, engaged in working out problems concerning women and children, and Judge Walter Clark will speak on the legal status of women and children in this State. The *Committee on Legal Status* is at work compiling, in pamphlet form, a summary of the status of women, which will be read and given to the clubs for the enlightenment of women.

The State Federation charter was signed by those present, deeming it a great honor. The signatures were attested by the Clerk of the Court, and it only remains for it to be recorded to secure a legal document.

Four new clubs were reported having federated.

The official seal of the Federation was selected, two drawings having been submitted by the chairman of Art, Mrs. A. F. Reid. It is a work of art and is emblematic of the State, as in the center of the wreath is the pine cone. Small seals are to be made and used by members of the Federation on letters, etc., and will be sold to clubs for revenue.

The district meetings are again recommended and a map submitted showing clubs within a given radius. Mrs. C. C. Hook, chairman District Reciprocity, announced that Charlotte is planning for such a meeting in April, at which Mrs. Pennypacker and Mrs. Cotten will be present, and all clubs are invited to send delegates for one day. One all-day meeting will be held, the first half to be given to State Federation work and the value of Federations, and the other half to individual club problems. This plan she recommends to all clubs, using the officers and chairmen of departments as speakers to present the work on these occasions.

The State Endowment is gradually increasing. Plans were perfected by which it could be increased substantially. The General Federation has made \$500 as North Carolina's proportion in that endowment and ways and means of raising this were discussed, the plans to be submitted to the convention. Arrangements will be made to have a Civic Day at Montreat next summer. The State Federation lantern, with our city beautiful views, will be used, and prominent speakers will present civic problems to the assembly and visitors who attend. This work can be given a great impetus by this plan, reaching many people and interesting many workers.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the Tarboro Civic League, which entertained so royally and gave so cordial a welcome. Deep appreciation was expressed also for the entertainments given by the Board of Trade, Hillside County Club, U. D. C. theatre party, and tea by Mrs. Thad. Thrash, president Civic League Magazine Club, and the reception at Mr. and Mrs. John Penders, and last of all, but not least, to the hostesses who opened their hearts and their homes and welcomed us to their hospitable firesides.

MRS. M. L. STOVER.

DURING THE PAST year the Henderson Civic League, through its Forestry Committee, of which Mrs. Edwin Stevens was its energetic chairman, accomplished many successful deeds, notably the celebration of Arbor Day, when twenty-four fine shade trees were planted on graded school

grounds, flower beds and grass plats, some mention of which was made in this column, and through error credit was given to the Woman's Tuesday Club, when it was due to Mrs. Stevens' untiring energy and interest in the civic uplift of her home town.

THE RALEIGH WOMAN'S CLUB has accomplished much this winter. The new departments of *Health* and *Social Service* have hardly followed the old order of things, "One must crawl before walking," but started in a run, and still their energies are not half spent. The *Health* department sold a great many Red Cross stamps and has to its credit a nice sum to help fight tuberculosis. The other infant prodigy of the club, the *Social Service* department, has established and maintains a child's bed at the Union Station, made many visits to the County Home and other institutions with unusually good results, and has benefited human-kind in many ways. The City Plan will soon be in the hands of the citizens of the State, and many cities besides Raleigh will be helped by it; all will no doubt feel grateful to the department of Civics, through whose efforts this plan was given to Raleigh. Having the State lawmakers in Raleigh keeps the clubwomen more keenly alive to their work than it otherwise would be. As far as consistent with the club's policy we are showing interest in, as well as working for, the enactment of such bills as compulsory education, child labor and kindred reforms.

The Federation president's presence has added to the club's enthusiasm, as it is impossible to listen to Mrs. Cotten and not feel inspired for bigger undertakings. The Raleigh Dramatic Club will soon present, for the benefit of the Woman's Club, one of the old classics, which is sure to be a great success.

As time comes near for changing officers there is sadness among us and we feel very loath to part with our able leader and her helpers, who have given of their best and accomplished so much.

THE VILLAGE CLUB, of Pinehurst, comprising the cottagers and many of the hotel guests, has for its object civic betterment and social advancement and has been a powerful element in the wonderful progress of the village. Perhaps its most important and far-reaching work has been undertaken this year by the establishment of a Domestic Science course in the county school. Miss White, a graduate of one of the leading Domestic Science colleges of the State, has charge of the course, and her work is arousing much interest. Miss White is not confining her efforts to the school, but from time to time she meets the parents of the pupils, who are quick to appreciate the privilege and are much interested in her advice and instructions in all branches of house-keeping.

THE WISE AND OTHERWISE CLUB, of Lenoir, is studying Africa, as outlined in Bay View course. The club has planned a number of special days, one for music, art, N. C. Day, Caldwell County Day, Mothers' Day, and an Otherwise Day, devoted to fun.

DEAR KEYSTONE: You will find herein \$1.10, my subscription for your valuable paper, the representative of our noble band of workers, the U. D. C., and the veteran, which I greatly enjoy.

Tucker Hill, Va., Jan. 28, 1913.

MRS. GEO. W. MURPHY.

VIRGINIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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(16 Clubs—1,800 Members.)

THE Virginia Federation is very youthful, compared with some of her sister States, and the accomplishments have been meagre as its numbers, perhaps, when compared to those of such States as Massachusetts, New York and Illinois; but in the words of our president, "There is a superb reserve force in the womanhood of Virginia, of which they themselves do not yet dream," and "the aims of the federated clubs of this State are perhaps above the average." Civics has taken firmer hold upon the hearts of our clubs than any other department, and from Rural Retreat, the picturesque town, twenty-five thousand feet above sea level, comes the most encouraging note in the anthem of hope; an inaugural cleaning-up day caused surprise—surprise at the initiative, surprise at the result; several followed, with the outcome that the men volunteered to finance the *next* one. That is the very work, the educational work, that women's civic clubs have in purpose—the pointing out, the awakening of men; women can do this work effectively, when massed, the pointing out of defects in municipal housekeeping; and as actions speak louder than words, the cleaning-up day, when successfully inaugurated by a woman's club, brings the result of having it established as a part of the municipal routine.

The annual session of the federated clubs of Virginia, which usually occurs in May, has been assigned so as not to conflict with the biennial meeting of the Council of the General Federation, which will be in Washington, D. C., in April. Mrs. Pennypacker, the new president of the General Federation, has been invited to the convention of the Virginia Clubs, at Clifton Forge, and it is most probable that she will attend. The invitation may be extended to several of the officers of the "General" Board; thus the meeting in April promises to be of unusual interest.

The chairman of the Civics Committee, Mrs. John Leadbeater, Alexandria, desires all clubs in the Federation to send to her the year's work, either accomplished or in prospect. Mrs. Leadbeater would like prompt replies from the various clubs. The Wednesday Club, of Danville, has pledged five hundred dollars to the purchasing price—forty-eight thousand dollars—of the Sutherlin Mansion, where Jefferson Davis held his last cabinet meeting, and where the news reached him of the surrender.

Again chairmen of committees and secretaries of clubs are requested to forward matter for this column to the correspondent, Mrs. Frank E. Brown.

I AM SENDING YOU \$1 for *The Keystone*. I hear very little of U. D. C. affairs nowadays. *The Keystone* keeps me abreast with what is going on, and I always enjoy it.

MRS. W. R. McKENNEY.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 30, 1913.

THE CHARLESTON U. D. C. CONVENTION was intensely and cleverly written up and reported in the *Abbeville Medium*, January 21, 1913, by Mrs. W. O. Cromer, the Abbeville delegate to that convention.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

President—Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, 2606 White's Ave., Austin, Texas.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Eugene Reilley, Charlotte, N. C.

[These notes are official for December as sent out to the official organs by the General Federation *Bulletin*.]

THE president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Pennypacker, has sent out a most eloquent and inspiring letter for the new year. She makes a strong plea to the clubwomen of America in behalf of the work of the General Federation, and gives much valuable information.

Upon the resignation of Mrs. Threadgill, as treasurer of the General Federation, Mrs. W. B. Williams, Michigan, was appointed as her successor, and Miss Georgia Bacon, Massachusetts, was appointed a member of the board of directors to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. Williams' appointment to the office. Valuable suggestions are made in regard to the choice of delegates to a Biennial and preparation of reports and addresses at State Federation meetings, making a plea for spoken rather than written addresses and for the use of correct and elegant English. The object of the Committee on *Political Science* is explained as the preparation for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship. Mrs. Pennypacker announces with regret the death of Mrs. E. L. Buchwalter, of Ohio, one of the honorary vice presidents G. F. W. C., and pays a tribute to the memory of Mrs. Buchwalter and Mrs. Decker, lifelong friends.

The San Francisco Biennial reports have been issued, 613 pages, containing full account of business transactions and all addresses delivered at 11th Biennial and may be obtained from the Bureau of Information, Mrs. Mary I. Wood, Portsmouth, N. H., by remitting 50 cents. A plea is made to focus efforts of State and General Federations upon two or three important pieces of legislative work and push them to successful completion, rather than in weakening the influence by working for too many bills at one time, which often confuses and wearies the lawmakers who are called upon to push the measures.

The letter concludes as follows:

I am leaving tomorrow for New Orleans, where Mrs. Sneath and I are to arrange the publication of the booklet that is to contain the skeleton plans of the department chairmen for the next eighteen months; we hope to have this booklet in your hands by the 15th of February, and earnestly beg that if possible you will delay the selection of Federation work for your club during the next twelve months until you have seen this pamphlet. For the first time, you will then have the complete work planned by the Federation set forth under one cover; we feel that you will then be better able to select discriminatingly the lines of Federation activity that will appeal most strongly to your people.

From January 28th to 31st, I shall be in attendance on the Arizona Federation at Douglas. As an example of delightful hospitality, the club at Douglas has asked the privilege of paying the president's traveling expenses from Austin to Douglas and return. On February 1st, I am to be the guest of the Sante Fe, New Mexico, Woman's Club. On February 15th, I hope to be in St. Louis for a conference concerning the future of the General Federation Bulletin, and also for a committee meeting with Mrs. Henrotin and Mrs. Moore as to how we may bring about proper representation of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in the International Council of Women. February 21st and 22d will find me in Minneapolis attending the Minnesota midwinter federation. February 24th, my address will be the Englewood Woman's Club, Chicago, while on February 28th and March 1st, I am to be at Cleveland, Ohio, address, care Mrs. Henry Buchanan Long, 6616 Detroit Ave.

March 3d, 4th, 5th, and 6th will find me in Washington, D. C., care Mrs. Wm. E. Andrews, 1225 Fairmont St., Northwest.

Austin, Texas.

ANNA I. H. PENNYBACKER.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.—Mrs. Imogen Oakley, chairman of the Civil Service Reform Committee of the General Federation, is making a tour through South Carolina and Florida, speaking in Charleston, S. C.; Palm Beach, Daytona, Palatka and Jacksonville, Fla. She came to Charleston upon the invitation of the City Federation, to take part in their mid-winter meeting on February 12th, and spent several days in that city as the guest of the City Federation president, Miss M. E. Klinck.

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, through its chairman, Mrs. S. S. Crockett, has made an effort to unify the health efforts of clubs for 1913-14, by suggesting a programme in which the four sections of the Health Department will radiate from one central theme—*Health Rights of Children—Child Hygiene, Food Sanitation, Social Hygiene and Tuberculosis*. The whole subject can be studied or any one section worked out in detail. Programmes and suggestions for work will be given upon application to the chairman, Mrs. S. S. Crockett, Nashville, Tenn. In her recently issued message to chairmen of State Health Committees Mrs. Crockett urges their continued efforts in behalf of a bill establishing a National Health Service—known as the Owen bill—now pending before Congress; and also that vital statistics laws be secured from the Legislatures in such States as have not such enactments. Southern clubwomen will be interested to know that Mrs. Crockett was born in Tennessee, as were her parents also; her father served in the Confederate army and her mother conducted a private school for girls near Nashville, where the daughter secured her training, the two traveling together in Europe afterwards. Mrs. Crockett's husband is a physician, and professor of mental and nervous diseases in Vanderbilt University.

CHAUTAUQUA has announced its program for the summer, and among the special days planned for is *Federation Day, August 2*, when Mrs. Pennypacker has promised to be present and make an address. She will also give two talks at the 5 o'clock hours on July 29 and July 31. This early announcement should appeal to many clubwomen who can make their plans for attending Chautauqua this year.

Council Meeting.

CLUBWOMEN from all over the United States will gather at Washington, D. C., on April 21st, to attend the Council of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held there during that week. The purpose of the meeting is apparent by the name, and it is truly a means by which the clubwomen all over the country can meet and counsel together as to the best methods of advancing the interests of the General Federation. The membership includes the board of directors, the presidents of all State Federations, individual clubs, and other organizations directly federated, and all General Federation secretaries

and department chairmen. But all clubwomen can attend these meetings, and are urged to do so.

Credentials are unnecessary, and ideas and discussions from all are most welcome. The committees in charge of the meeting in Washington this year expect it to surpass, in enthusiasm and good, practical results, any former meeting of the kind. No more beautiful city than Washington, at this period of the year, could have been chosen for our gathering, and its many educational and social features will add much to an already delightful programme which has been under preparation since October by a committee composed of Mrs. Wm. E. Andrews, general chairman, Washington; Mrs. Eugene Reilley, chairman of programme, Charlotte, N. C., and Mrs. Agnes L. Christie, Butte, Mont. This committee has been augmented by a Local Committee on Entertainment, appointed by Mrs. Andrews, who is chairman of that committee, and is also president of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs, the other members of the committee being: Chairman of Hospitality, Mrs. A. F. Hassan, 3138 Q St., N. W.; chairman Art Reception, Mrs. Grace Boynton Logan, 1253 Irving St. The following presidents of Literary clubs will have charge of the Library Evenings: Mrs. J. A. Moyer, 610 Eighth St., N. E.; Mrs. E. Ide Muller, 1367 B St., N. E.; Mrs. John H. Stokes, The Portner; Mrs. Margaret C. Buell, 1439 Newton St.

The local committee will be at the station to meet clubwomen and will endeavor to locate comfortably all who come. Mrs. Andrews will be glad to furnish information to all who desire it.

Although the details of the entire programme cannot be completed until our president, Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, meets with the Local Committee in Charge of Arrangements on March 5th-6th, the general outline will give interested club members an idea of the good things in store for us.

The first meeting of the Council in Washington will be in the National Museum Auditorium on the night of April 21st. Addresses of welcome will be made by representative clubwomen, with response by Mrs. Pennybacker. Some prominent public speaker will also address the women.

Tuesday morning, April 22d, in the assembly room of the Raleigh Hotel, the club headquarters, the first business session will be held. In the afternoon two of the departments will be heard from and an early adjournment will be taken for conferences, those between chairmen. State presidents and secretaries promising to be of especial importance. A reception at the White House for that afternoon is also being arranged for, and an address on "Art" by Hopkinson Smith in the evening at the Corcoran Gallery, followed by a reception and music by the Marine Band.

Wednesday evening the programme will be devoted to departments for the presentation and discussion of various subjects. A visit to the Congressional Library, under the direction of the Literary clubs, will also be made Wednesday evening.

On *Thursday* the clubwomen will be the guests of the Maryland Federation, and the plans include a visit to Baltimore, a luncheon, a visit to Walter's Art Gallery, and other

entertainment. Arrangements have also been made for a trip down the Potomac to historical points, including Mt. Vernon.

Thursday evening there will be a general meeting, at which addresses and reports of various kinds will be heard, and plans for the biennial meeting at Chicago presented by Mrs. Everett, of Illinois, and programme outlined for that meeting by Mrs. Sneath, of Ohio.

AGNES LEYS CHRISTIE,
Chairman Publicity.

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

This department is official, and will be continued monthly. Reports and suggestions should be sent to Mrs. Gordon Finger, Charlotte, N. C., Manager, by the 15th of each month for insertion in the next month's *Keystone*.

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(91 Chapters—4,300 Members.)

EXECUTIVE ACTIVITIES.—Mrs. Marshall Williams, the president, already has her committees appointed and at work. Some of the important new committees are those for Jurisprudence and Constitutional Revision. Mrs. R. E. Little, of Wadesboro, is chairman of the first, and Mrs. Richard Price, president of Cape Fear Chapter, is associated with her. It will be the duty of this committee to inform itself on the change in administration and the bearing, from a parliamentary viewpoint, of any proposed new or amended legislation. The same committee will also recommend to the convention the special rules it may adopt to insure fairness in debate, along with expedition in completing business. Mrs. F. W. Faison is chairman of the committee to submit a total revision of the constitution, with Mrs. Harry Reid, of Lincolnton, and Mrs. Gordon Finger, of Charlotte, as associates.

THE JACKSON DAY NOTES.—The Daughters of the Confederacy do a work that is so largely memorial that official accounts of their enterprises are never without reference to some work of that nature. The Red Letter Day of midwinter is January 19th, known in North Carolina as Lee-Jackson Day, when high tribute is paid to the two great chieftains in a way to impress the young or inform the ignorant of patriotic and historical truths. But more than all these occasions are made feasts of memories to the survivors of the struggle, and the chapter that does not provide a bountiful dinner, with music and a general good time, is the exception. In Raleigh especial tribute was paid to Maj. Gen. Robt. F. Hoke, who was the last officer of his rank and one of the greatest men of his generation in the State. A new note in these orations is a call to crystallize into effort and service the tide of high emotion and enthusiasm that is awakened at these times, to transcribe the past in terms of the present; to duplicate the unselfish devotion to purpose and principle of a bygone day; to find anew the young

life and strong, steady hand of the devotee to be spent for the common good. In other words, the great future of the orders of Confederate descendants depends upon how successfully they develop into constructive forces, when relief work and memorial work no longer require the organized machinery. The call is not to arms, as of old, but to heroic service. The zest with which educational work is being pursued is a sign of the trend of U. D. C. effort in the new field and the era of which only the faint beginnings are being made.

HONOR STARS AND BARS DESIGNER.—In a long list of things for which the Confederacy stood pre-eminent, notably may stand the promptness with which due honor is meted out and the frequency with which the living hero feels the laurel on his brow. In such a category we would place the awarding of a gold medal by the North Carolina Division U. D. C. to Capt. Orren Randolph Smith, who designed the flag of the Confederacy. The award was made a ceremony of the Lee-Jackson Day celebration in Henderson, Mr. Smith's present home, though it was at Louisburg the first flag was unfurled. The medal was presented first to the Orren Randolph Smith Chapter Children of the Confederacy (an enthusiastic body of 56 children named in his honor), who carried it to Colonel Smith, who has grown very infirm and was unable to attend the public meeting. The children recently served a lunch to the Henry L. Wyatt Camp, and with their leader, Miss Maurice J. O'Neil, are proving a most useful auxiliary to the Vance County Chapter.

The following is the speech made by Hon. W. H. Ruffin in presenting the medal:

"It is an unexpected pleasure to me to be called upon to present this medal or token of honor, for the designing of the original Stars and Bars; coming as I do, from Louisburg, it gives me an opportunity to state history upon this point, which, I regret to say, is now a disputed question. Of course, I am too young to state this history from my own observance, but I get this history from those who were living in Louisburg then and saw the Stars and Bars, first flung to the breeze, there in 1861, and from their statements and from that of Maj. Smith himself, I can point to the spot wherein three feet of where the flag pole stood. The second week in February, 1861, Major Smith called upon Miss Rebecca Murphy to make him a model of about a foot in length. The house in which she lived now stands in Louisburg and was, until its removal to a different site, a familiar landmark. Miss Murphy married a Mr. Winborne and now lives in Wilson, North Carolina, and her affidavit of these facts is now preserved. She also made the flag as raised by Maj. Smith. The raising of it, March 18, 1861, can even now be proven by Mr. Jordan Barrow, from whom the goods were purchased for the flag, Mr. Algernon S. Strother, Commander of McKume Camp U. C. V., and Mr. Eugene C. Cook, veterans and others, whom I might mention, though most of them are now passed to the Great Beyond. Maj. Smith stated to me that the three bars represented the Church, State and Press, and the power and freedom of each, that the seven stars represent the seven Confederate States, and above it was a long pennant, such as is put upon ships when homeward bound, and that it symbolized that Old North Carolina was likewise homeward bound into the Confederacy. There ought not to be any question that Maj. Orren Randolph Smith, then a resident of Franklin county, now a resident of your city, a veteran of three wars—Mexican, Utah and Confederate—designed and raised that flag first at Louisburg, in our State, and to him belongs the honor of giving to the Confederacy its emblem.

Do not confuse this flag of the Confederacy with the battle flag afterwards adopted, for that battle flag is not in question. The United Daughters of the Confederacy of the State of North Carolina, pay this tribute to your distinguished townsman in recognition of his being the designer of the flag of the Great Confederacy, and commissions me to present to him in loving token of the honor due him for designing and raising the first Confederate flag, this beautiful medal or pendant which I hold in my hand; and it is with deepest regret that we note his absence on account of his feeble health, and pray that this old hero of three wars may be spared to us yet many years, and in his absence I take a profound pleasure in presenting the medal to the chapter of the Children of

the Confederacy, which bears his name, with the request, that they carry it to him with the love and esteem of all Confederate organizations in the State.

A SPRIG OF ROSEMARY: The death and funeral of a woman of the highest type of the old school in character and personality is an object lesson from which to cull many truths! A life ripe with 86 years of culture, breeding and experience, combined with habits of deep piety, may well call forth the homage of the Daughters of the Old North State!

Mrs. Jane Renwick Wilkes, wife of the late Capt. John Wilkes, died January 19. She had lived in Charlotte through the war and since that time, not only true to its traditions, but had preserved much of its valuable history, notably that of the Confederate Navy Yard, and had served the local chapter as historian until a few years ago, when she eliminated some few of the active interests of her fruitful life. In war time she was instrumental in the establishment of the Wayside Hospital in Charlotte, where many who fell from the line or were too ill to reach home for the furlough, were cared for. She had charge of the supply getting or commissary and some accounts of their nature and source are interesting documents among her many valuable papers.

Later, she was leader in founding the first hospital of a permanent nature in the State, following that later with the first one for colored people. She was head of the governing boards of both institutions when the summons came, truly a remarkable woman.

Her funeral afforded, what is now a rare sight, hundreds of the highest and the lowest of both races reading the same service with no sense of race or class apparent—itself a tribute to nobility and christian unity. Near the church two darkies met. One big, bony, sure-footed, her clean homespun basque dress, hat on over a clean head cloth, bespoke her an old timer. She was accosted by a friend with, "Where you gwine, Auntie?" She replied with sorrowful dignity, "Mistis Wilkes is dade her that eez the mistis a' the colored folkses hospital." "She run the white folks hospital, too, didn't she?" "I should reckon she wuz the mistis a' all the horspitals," answered the old aunty, with disdainful conviction.

This true incident shows the relationship and sympathy of the lady of the old regime and the negro unchanged by war, reconstruction or fifty years of freedom and peace.

MRS. GORDON FINGER.

The Next Club Year.

SOON all the clubs will be planning for next year. Have you ever looked into the Bay View Reading Courses, which so many clubs are adopting? It is said they have many advantages over our old form of club work, and that they make club work easier and better, too. You can get the circular and a copy of the Bay View Magazine by writing to J. M. Hall, Boston Boulevard, Detroit, Mich.

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(134 Chapters—8,516 Members.)

HAVE YOU gotten your Minutes? If not—why not? There were 800 copies printed, and while they cost the Virginia Division a great deal more than that, you can get them at 3 for 25 cents, postpaid; and our word for it—if you use it—you will find it money well invested!

The season of District Meetings is at hand. Are you doing your part to make a success of yours, or are you leaving it to the other chapters, or other woman? More real good can be gotten from one district meeting than from two State or four General conventions, because of the simplicity and informality.

Nearly all the chapters celebrated in some way the birthdays of Lee and Jackson. The new chapters are incorporating in their constitution a special observance of these and June 3d.

The Lexington Chapter has re-elected Mrs. Adair as president, but has given her assistants to aid in the Jackson Hospital work. Have you helped any in the laudable memorial?

The Danville Chapter is still busy looking to the preserving of the Sutherlin property, the last Capitol of the Confederacy.

The two chapters in Lynchburg joined in the Lee-Jackson celebrations. Work on the Bristol Monument goes forward steadily. The plan for selling Arlington seals on the 19th is a good one, and met with hearty response.

The first chapter organized this year is at Powhatan, and bears the name of that county, and has the glorious number of 74 charter members. Next follows the Bath Chapter, at Warm Springs, with 24 members. "Ye Olde Arlington" Chapter is in process of organization at Cheriton, under the capable leadership of Mrs. Howard Hall.

A very enthusiastic and loyally patriotic group of ladies are those at Spottsylvania, who have been gathering the wherewithal for a monument over the graves of the soldiers lying in the beautiful cemetery there. If their plans work, they hope to interest and secure the co-operation of the Virginia Division and the Divisions of other States, whose soldier boys lie sleeping beside their Virginia comrades on and near the battlefields of the dreadful Wilderness. To this end they have collected quite a

goodly sum and have now organized (January 15th) a chapter U. D. C. Besides soldiers from North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas, there are 34 from States unknown and many unknown dead. All success to these noble women!

The State Historian, Mrs. F. L. Holmes, has prepared a very attractive course of study for the chapters and offers a medal and a U. D. C. badge as prizes for historical work. Mrs. Campbell, our president, offers a State flag to the chapter doing the best historical work, the State Historian to decide upon the winner.

The Fourth District has announced its meeting at Charlottesville the first week in April—Mrs. Cabell Smith, chairman, and Albemarle Chapter hostess.

District No. 5 will meet at Farmville—Mrs. W. T. Allen, chairman. It is hoped that special effort will be made at these coming district meetings to secure the rosters of all chapters for the Registrar-General. Mrs. J. R. K. Bell, our most efficient State Registrar, has done wonderful work along this line. In one year she has secured the complete rosters of 74 chapters out of the 124 enrolled.

THE FIRST DISTRICT has accepted a most cordial invitation from the Hamilton Wade Chapter to meet in Christiansburg. Under the capable leadership of its young president this chapter has forged straight to the front in the last year. Such progress is only possible where the chapter, as a whole, stands by its officers. They have gotten up a set of historical questions and are offering prizes in the schools for work along this line. What is more to the point, they have secured the co-operation of the teachers in the way of true teaching. They are giving their local Camp a banner for the Gettysburg trip, and have so endeared themselves to these old men that words can scarcely express the admiration and love in which they are held. All good wishes to Hamilton Wade!

The following excerpt from a private letter speaks glowingly for grand old Richmond:

"THE RICHMOND CHAPTER has done nothing but 'Confederate' for the last month. General Lee's birthday coming on Sunday, we held memorial services at St. Paul's church, where he always attended when in Richmond. The presentation of crosses of honor on Friday night before made noticeable by Miss Mary Custis Lee presenting the crosses, assisted by Miss Mallie Macgill Rosenberg, our patron saint. Monday we had one of the most brilliant receptions the chapter has ever had on their annual meeting. Again Miss Mary Lee received, with Miss Katherine Stiles and Miss Kate Mason Roland, two of her girlhood friends. This week we are to have three dinners served down town by the chapters. Christmas the dinner at the Home was made more bountiful than ever by the generous contributions of the chapters throughout the State. There are 300 veterans at the Home, and could the Daughters see the elegant dinners, cooked and served by the members of the chapter, they would be rewarded for their gifts to these old men. A bridge party, given by two of our most faithful workers, Mrs. F. Elliott and Mrs. P. I. White, at the Jefferson, cleared sixty-five dollars for the Relief Fund."

The State Flag offered by the three chapters of Smythe county to the school filling most Roll of Honor blanks was given at a Lee-Jackson celebration to the High School at Riverside with splendid ceremonies. The young man who is principal of this school is a student of history, a patriot, and an ardent Virginian, and in stirring up his pupils to this work is leaving his neighborhood a goodly heritage, and the chapters hope for a greater interest among our schools in Southern history.

N. C. PRESTON, Manager.

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(79 Chapters—3,743 Members.)

THE Historical Circular for 1913 has been issued to the chapters by the State chairman, Miss Washington. This department has been in operation in the South Carolina Division now for fourteen years, and chapter work is outlined clearly. The requests, as usual, are for the collection of MSS. and Rolls of Honor; the introduction of literary exercises into chapter meetings; the supervision of the textbooks in use in schools and circulating libraries; the appeal for papers for a U. D. C. exchange library, and suggestions for local chapter work in history, such as historical pictures in schools, historical names for schools, a local history day in the chapter's yearly programmes, and an examination on Confederate history, with prizes to competing school children. The programme for the "Literary Historical Session," at the Edgefield Convention, December, 1913, is given for chapter competition as follows:

- I. Poem, "A Camp Fire Dream."
- II. The South, Her Statesmen and Warriors.
- III. "Banner of the Stars and Cross."
- IV. Why did not Lincoln issue his Emancipation Proclamation earlier than September, 1862?

The Monthly Historical Study programmes for chapters are given in the folder; these programmes will be given each month in *The Keystone* in advance, so that U. D. C.'s may know the subjects officially suggested each month.

JANUARY PROGRAM: Name States which seceded January, 1862. *Discussion*, Friendship of Lee and Jackson. *Paper*, Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM: What States seceded in February, 1861. *Discussion*, What Governor of South Carolina has been called the "War Governor?" *Paper*, Sketch of Gen. P. S. T. Beauregard.

MARCH PROGRAM: Siege of Petersburg. *Discussion*, South Carolina Troops at Petersburg. *Paper*, Sketch of Gen. James Conner.

APRIL PROGRAM: Lincoln calls for troops to suppress the South, April 15, 1861. *Discussion*, The Seventh Massachusetts Regiment at Baltimore. *Paper*, Gallantry and daring of Maryland Confederates.

The *Rolls of Honor* are in charge of Miss Louise C. Fleming, Greenwood, S. C. More than 4,000 were collected last year. Write to Miss Fleming for Rolls, free of cost.

The lists of textbooks and books approved of and objected to by the U. D. C. are in charge of Mrs. R. C. Webb, Anderson, S. C., who will furnish these lists to chapters on application. *Reports* of chapter historical work are asked for by October 1, 1913. Address Miss M. B. Washington, chairman Historical Committee, Charleston, S. C.

SCHOLARSHIPS.—The South Carolina Division is entitled to enter three candidates for the General U. D. C. Scholarships. Those open for use September, 1913, are:

1. Scholarship at Washington and Lee University; value, \$350.

2. Alice Bristol Scholarship, Bristol School, Washington, D. C.; value, \$1,000.

3. Miss Mason's Scholarship, at The Castle, Tarrytown, N. Y.; value, \$1,000.

4. Sophie Newcomb Scholarship, Tulane University; value, \$100.

5. Lucy Cobb Institute Scholarship, Athens, Ga.; value, \$190.

6. Washington Seminary Scholarship, Washington, D. C.; value, \$100.

7. Higbee School Scholarship, Memphis, Tenn.; value, \$100.

8. University of Pennsylvania Scholarship; value, \$200.

Scholarships 1, 2 and 3 are scholarships in full, covering board and tuition.

Chapter presidents are urged to find suitable candidates to submit for these, in order that the Committee on Education may be able to select five excellent applications to file with the General U. D. C. Committee. Applications must be in the hands of the State chairman by April 15th; must give information to show lineal descent from a Confederate veteran of honorable record, ability to enter the freshman class of college for which applying, inability to pay tuition, and must be accompanied by testimonials from recent teachers and endorsement from chapter presidents. Applicants must be 17 years of age.

The South Carolina Division offers a partial scholarship at the Confederate Home College, of Charleston, valued at \$100. This will be the only Division scholarship open for use September, 1913. Requirements for it are the same as for the above, except that applicants are accepted at 16 years of age and have until June 1st to file applications.

ARMIDA MOSES,

Chair. Com. Education, S. C. Div. U. D. C.,
Sumter, S. C.

ARLINGTON.—U. D. C. of South Carolina: We trust that this appeal will be the last that we will find it necessary to make in behalf of the Arlington Monument Fund. Our committee has left no stone unturned to redeem the pledge of the U. D. C., to Sir Moses Ezekiel, when the monument is turned over. We sent two thousand appeals to the schools of the State. Then, for the first time, we issued direct appeals to the citizens of South Carolina for free-will offerings. The object of this letter is to impress upon every chapter in the Division the need of doing its utmost this year, in order that we may not have a debt hanging over the monument when it is unveiled. Please do not imagine that the schools and citizens are going to liquidate the debt to the extent that less than our best efforts will be needed. We need an average of \$25 from each chapter in the Division, and we sincerely hope that the larger chapters will generously remember the smaller and more feeble bands of workers, and enlarge their own contributions. Please try, if possible, to send reports to your respective District Conferences to the effect that twenty-five or more dollars have been raised for the Arlington Monument Fund. This is highly important, as plans are being made for the

unveiling of the monument in June or July of the present year.

Faithfully yours,

MRS. THOS. W. KEITT,
So. Ca. Director A. C. M. A.

Mrs. J. R. Vandiver, Mrs. L. W. Gilland, Miss Mary E. Williams, Miss Lillie Cooper.

PLEASE let me say for the A. C. M. Committee, that our regret for the loss by death, of our able and faithful coworker, Mrs. J. A. Burton, is sincere and deep.

We are gratified to state that her charts will continue to serve the Division, and may be procured through her daughter, Miss Mary C. Burton, of Newberry, S. C., who has kindly consented to carry on this part of her mother's work. Cost for charts 35 cents each, postage prepaid.

MRS. THOMAS W. KEITT, for the Committee.

THE SHEPPARD PICTURES FOR SALE.—On behalf of the Arlington Monument Fund may I call the attention of the U. D. C. to the beautiful Sheppard Pictures which are being sold for the benefit of this fund. These three pictures of the Confederate soldier in the three branches of the army, the infantry, cavalry and artillery service, make most attractive gifts to schools and chapter rooms, at the same time adding materially to the monument fund. They are sold at one dollar per set, postage 14 cents extra, and half of this amount goes to the Arlington Monument and is credited to the South Carolina Division. Please lend a helping hand to this worthy cause. Address all orders to Mrs. T. J. Mauldin, Pickens, S. C., for Committee.

THE PIEDMONT DISTRICT CONFERENCE will be held in Due West, S. C., on Thursday, April 3, 1913, at 10:30 a. m. All chapters in this district are urged to send representatives to this meeting.

MRS. J. L. McWHIRTER,
Jonesville, S. C. Vice President Piedmont District.

THE EDISTO DISTRICT CONFERENCE will be held in Fairfax, S. C., on Wednesday, April 30th. A full attendance of U. D. C.'s in this district is hoped for at this meeting.

MRS. ST. J. ALISON LAWTON,
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(Up-to-date Notes.)

THE President-General, Mrs. A. B. White, issued a circular letter to the U. D. C., January 8th, in which she says:

MY DEAR FRIENDS: As the holy Christmas time drew near heavy sorrow came to me, as most of you know, in the death of my husband, my true friend and comrade in all things. In wanting me to serve you again this year with this deep shadow over me he showed his wisdom in this as in all things for he knew how it would help and strengthen me, for your many telegrams, your tender letters of sympathy and love, and the beautiful flowers from the General Organization and from many chapters have drawn me closer to you and have poured balm on my wounds, have drawn the bitterness from my grief in letting me know there are thousands who are giving a loving, sympathetic thought to me and my young daughter in our trouble. It makes me think of all of you so much more tenderly and makes me feel we are indeed a great band of sisters ready to help one another when needed, and more than ever I realize that membership in our organization is worth while and the work consecrated.

Work is good for me, it is a solace and comfort, and from now on I shall try to take up our work and give it the time and attention it

requires and I hope to have the earnest and prompt co-operation of every one of you. You can help me so much if you will and make the work easier for all the officers.

General Lee's birthday falls on Sunday. She advises church services for the celebration, as most appropriately in keeping with General Lee's Christian character; she also reminds the U. D. C. to bestow the Crosses of Honor on *this day*, according to the U. D. C. rules, urging the chapters to hasten the work of bestowal, although there is now no *time limit* set by the U. D. C. when these bestowals shall cease. The Arlington seals are brought to the chapters' attention as a means of raising funds for the Arlington Monument at once. These seals may be secured from Mrs. W. L. Darr, Montgomery, Ala.

SHILOH DAY is appealed for in April. A special programme is to be distributed to the chapters by the State Directors, and the Shiloh Postcard is again offered for sale by this committee. Mrs. White also appeals for contributions for those old Confederate men and women *not* in Confederate homes, whose needs are looked after by various *Relief Committees*.

She urges renewed interest in historical work, and reminds the U. D. C. that the general per capita tax is due March 1st. *Registration* with the Registrar-General, Mrs. Orlando Haliburton, 1410 Spring street, Little Rock, Ark., is strongly urged and certificates of membership brought to the attention of the members, chapter presidents being impressed with the necessity of issuing these in *correct* form, as to *date* of admission of members. The President-General again offers a "Certificate of Merit" to the Division making the largest increase in membership in 1913, and under the same regulations as the contest in 1912, in which the States ranked as follows: First, Virginia; second, Georgia; third, Mississippi; fourth, South Carolina. Mrs. White closes her report as follows:

When I was invited to become a vice president of the "Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association" it was at a time when I could not give the matter much consideration, and seeing a number of prominent Daughters had accepted a like courtesy I carelessly did likewise, but stipulated at the time it should in no way commit the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Lately I have given thought to the subject and in consequence have resigned from the Association and requested that no communications should be sent out bearing my name.

As the U. D. C. constitution prohibits chapters from federating with other organizations I trust none of the chapters will sign the petitions of this Association, nor of any association, nor contribute funds to any, but give of their substance only to causes undertaken and endorsed by the U. D. C. as an organization. With so many causes—relief work, education, and two great monuments—needing all we can possibly do for them, we cannot afford as chapters to lessen the results of the work of our own organization by working for other causes and associations.

With the wish that 1913 may bring to all of you individually, and to us as an organization, many good things,
I am,

Faithfully yours,

MRS. ALEXANDER B. WHITE,
President-General U. D. C.

Paris, Tenn., January 8, 1913.

The Washington, D. C., Convention Minutes have been issued by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roy W. McKinney, Paducah, Ky., and distributed to all the Divisions and Chapters. These are the minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the U. D. C., and may be secured from Mrs. McKinney on receipt of 12 cents for postage on the same. These minutes, besides the official record of the convention, contain the full text of President Taft's patriotic address at the opening of the conven-

tion, the reports of all special and standing committees, officers' reports and Division reports, the roster of the U. D. C. officers and committees and the full roster of all Division and Chapter officers. The page devoted to *Important* general information answers all questions about blanks and badges, and the proper destination for contribution to the co-operative work of the U. D. C. The constitution and the rules for crosses of honor are also printed in this valuable pamphlet of 476 pages, and an appendix of 132 pages. Each chapter in the U. D. C. is entitled to a copy of this publication and should keep it as their official reference in matters connected with U. D. C. work. Mrs. McKinney is to be congratulated on getting out so correct and well typed a record of the Washington Convention with so little delay, and thus enabling the general work to be discussed in chapter work so early in the year.

FLORIDA DIVISION.—This Division in 1897 decided to build a monument at Olustee Battlefield. In 1899 the Florida Legislature appropriated \$2,500 to assist in the building of the monument; in 1901 the bill arranging for this monument was amended and a commission consisting of General Law and General Reese to represent the veterans, Mrs. Florence M. Cooley and Miss Jane Givens to represent the U. D. C., and the Hon. D. W. Fletcher to represent the Sons of Veterans, was appointed to carry on the work. Later, Miss Givens resigned, and Mrs. H. H. McCreary was appointed in her place. The site for the monument on the battlefield was given by the owner of the land, Mr. Brown. The monument was completed and was unveiled and presented to the State of Florida recently by the commission through the Florida Division, U. D. C. The State sponsor on this occasion was Miss Roselle Cooley, a granddaughter of Lieut. M. J. Murphy, Co. A, First Florida Volunteers; the Maid of Honor, Miss Helen Beggs, granddaughter of W. L. Parramore, Co. C, Fourth Florida Regiment; Bishop Weed made the dedicatory prayer; the monument and the titles to the ground were delivered by Mrs. Cooley to the Florida Division, U. D. C., represented by its president, "Sister Esther Carlote," who in turn handed them to Mrs. J. N. Whitner, who had worked so faithfully for the accomplishment of the monument, and she in turn laid them into the hands of Governor Gilchrist, of Florida, with the assurances that the U. D. C. would always care for the monument. A dinner was served during the day of the exercises to nearly five hundred people. While the crowd waited for the return train, the stage was given over to the survivors of the battle of Olustee, and speeches were made recounting many thrilling incidents of the battle. And so the U. D. C. sentry line of Confederate monuments grows longer as the future unfolds the pages of the history of the past.

KU KLUX KLAN.—This booklet, published by the Mississippi Division, U. D. C., to be sold and all proceeds to go to the erection of a monument at Beauvoir, Miss. (home of Jefferson Davis), to the memory of Confederate Veterans, contains absolutely correct history of the origin of this famous Klan. Price, per copy, 30 cents, postpaid. Address: Mrs. S. E. F. Rose, President Miss. Div. U. D. C., West Point, Miss.

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IT HAS been said that "organized charity is organized love," and the effort made is ever to direct this charity wisely and well. An organization which has reached the century mark is worthy the attention of even those not connected with its endeavors, for it has proved by its age its value to humanity. Such is the position of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Charleston, S. C., which celebrated its centennial year in that city on February 11, 1913, by

public exercises in the Hibernian Hall, consisting of prayer by the Rev. S. C. Beckwith, the rector of St. Philip's church, the oldest colonial church in South Carolina; an introductory address by Hon. Jos. W. Barnwell, president of the South Carolina History Society, and a centennial address by Miss Ella Phillips Crandall, R. N., executive secretary National Public Health Association and instructor in "Visiting Nursing" at Teachers' College, Columbia University, who had been brought from New York by the society as their special guest for this occasion. A centennial offering was taken up by twelve young society girls of the city, and the exercises closed with the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds," a most appropriate selection, as the society is, and has been since it received its charter, in 1813, entirely undenominational in its membership and ministrations. The motto of the society is "I was sick and ye visited me," and its purpose, as set forth in its charter, is "to relieve the sick poor in their homes." The society today numbers 173 members, and it directs the work of a visiting trained nurse, who in 1912 carried comfort and relief to 134 white and 54 colored patients, making 1,919 visits to these cases in the year. On five occasions extra nurses were employed, and the Loan and Supply Closet, located in the rooms of the Associated Charities, furnished 415 articles of nourishment, 84 articles of clothing, 550 eggs, 95 sundries and 16 baby baskets, with infants' outfits, for the relief of these patients. This society once had a splendid endowment, but the wreck and devastation of the War Between the States scattered its resources, until now there remains only a small fund, but the membership has never been discouraged; in 1882 its income was only \$244; in 1913 it expended \$1,325 in its work. It has a Hospital Cot Fund of \$1,000, accumulated since 1895, and the interest from the Hopkins Fund, given in 1834, for the relief of "infirm free people of color," is still used by the society to help sick and old negroes. In the past this society has been the beneficiary of Christian and Jewish charity, and every denomination in the city makes some contribution to its yearly income. In the old days Jennie Lind sang for its benefit, and a sermon on "Eve" was once delivered in its behalf. Today the society observes the second Sunday in March as "Visiting Nurse Sunday," at which time they ask for a special collection for their work in all the city churches, irrespective of denomination. The work of the society increases with the years. The officers for 1913 are as follows: Superintendent, Miss C. P. Ravenel; junior superintendent, Mrs. B. F. Alston; secretary, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim; treasurer, Miss M. C. Bull; board of managers, Mrs. Herman Baer, Mrs. J. P. K. Bryan, Mrs. E. L. Parker, Mrs. Arthur Mazyck, Miss M. B. Mure, Miss S. A. Smyth, Mrs. A. T. Smythe, Mrs. J. S. Riggs, Mrs. G. E. Gibbon, Mrs. L. L. Cohen, Mrs. Sallie Litschgi, Miss Elizabeth Klinck, Mrs. Geo. S. Holmes, Mrs. T. T. Hyde, Mrs. W. H. Huger and Mrs. F. W. Wagener, Jr. The aims of the management today are to put into practice the old precept, "not aims, but a friend," and to uphold the society's ancient traditions of unostentatious service in gentle womanly ministrations to the needs of humanity.

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